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VICTIMS OF WIND AND FIRE

Awful Calamity Overtakes the Town of Chandler, Oklahoma.

HALF A HUNDRED ARE DEAD

Cyclone's Fury Followed by Fire, Which Completes the Work of Devastation—The City Completely Wiped Out and Dead and Dying on Every Side—Two Hundred Injured.

Guthrie, Okla., March 31.—A terrific cyclone struck the town of Chandler, forty miles east of here, at 6 o'clock last evening, and the latest news is that forty-five people were killed and more than 200 injured, a dozen of them fatally. A dispatch received here at 2 a. m. reported the ruins on fire and many injured people were burned to death. So far twenty-four dead bodies have been taken from the ruined buildings.

Chandler was a town of 1,500 inhabitants and was almost completely destroyed, only two buildings being left standing—the Grand Island Grocery and the Mitchell Hotel. The known dead are:

Mr. and Mrs. Woodman.
Mrs. Henry Mitchell.
Mrs. Tom Smith.
John Dawson, attorney.
F. De Mott.
Emma Dressinger.
D. C. Johnson and wife.
Mrs. Philip Johnson and child.
Mrs. R. Lee.
A. W. Keller and wife.
Unknown woman and babe.
Five unknown children.
Ex-Mayor A. McHenry and wife.
G. McHenry and wife.
George Pierson.

Among the fatally injured are: Arthur Jewett, Peggy Johnson, Mrs. Frank McCann, D. C. Goodie, Maggie Reaves, Andrew Asher and wife, Mrs. Cullen, Jessie Woodworth, Alexander Bishop, Arch Sheppard, Mrs. Frank McCall, Mrs. Emory Foster and baby, Nettie Eulan and Wilson King.

The other injured so far known are: Patrick J. O'Leary, John Foster, George McHenry, George Herring, Samuel Hightower, Deputy marshal, John McCarney, James McCarney, F. A. Nildack, clerk of court; John Niblack, Elizabeth Elam, Bessie Elam, Samuel Williamson, and Samuel Winthrop. The scenes were heartrending, people dying on all sides, with but one physician on the ground who is not hurt. Six people in one building were pinned down and were slowly roasted to death. Darkness came on soon after the cyclone struck and the work of rescue was carried on under the greatest difficulties.

A large number of physicians and other citizens have left here for the scene, with surgical instruments, drugs and other supplies. A later message states that a large number of people known to have been in business buildings are missing, and it is feared they are dead under the ruins.

Chandler is the seat of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, which it is reported has been badly wrecked. Many people are reported injured in the wrecked courthouse, and the disaster is believed to be much worse than at first thought. The injured will reach over 200, and there is no shelter and no adequate medical attendance, and it is feared many will die from exposure.

Many of the injured undoubtedly met death by fire while pinned fast under debris. In one building five injured people were burned to death and at another place the injured bodies of three unknown children have been taken out.

The entire business portion of the town burned after being wrecked by the wind. The scene is described as terrible and almost beyond description. Several of the injured became temporarily insane, and rushed up and down the streets in a state of delirium. The main street of the town is a mass of dead and injured people and teams and wagons, buggies, trees and debris from the buildings. Every building, but one on the main street, was wrecked and burned, including the courthouse, post office, News and Mercantile offices, Lincoln County Bank, New York store and several hotels.

James Woodard and wife, of El Dorado, Kan., visiting at Chandler, were instantly killed; their little daughter was fatally crushed, and son badly hurt. John Dawson, of Lincoln, Neb., a lawyer, was burned to death. Chief Justice Dale, who was holding court, ran with his wife to a hollow, an Irish boy behind a large bowler, and both were unhurt.

PASSED THROUGH KANSAS.

Many Towns in That State Suffered From the Storm.

Kansas City, Mo., March 31.—The cyclone which destroyed the town of Chandler, Okla., last night, also passed across the State of Kansas, though in less destructive force.

At Florence, Kan., a portion of the Santa Fe round-house was untied and several wooden buildings were blown down. Wichita, Haver and Great Bend report a heavy wind, accompanied by rain and hail.

At Barton a very heavy wind wrecked several small buildings and blew cars from the tracks. Telegraph service in this vicinity is badly crippled.

FLOODS THREATEN RAILROADS.

Measures to Protect Tracks Around East St. Louis, Ill.

East St. Louis, March 31.—High water is causing uneasiness among the railroads which have tracks in East St. Louis. A rise of two feet caused the railroad lines to begin active measures to protect their property.

The air line company has been placing extra ballast around the entrance to the various cuttings in its tracks, and has moved all its rolling stock to higher ground. The Short Line, Illinois Central and the Louisville and Nashville have taken similar measures.

RAILS TWISTED LIKE WIRES.

Great Damage Done by the Storm to the Galveston Jetties.

Galveston, Texas, March 31.—Investigation of the jetties show that the storm of last Sunday was the most serious than was at first estimated. The trouble on the north jetty got the full force of the blow, and the sea was driven over it with such force that the iron rails were bent and twisted as though they had been wires, and the heavy strings on which the rails were laid were twisted in every direction. The piling, which in some places was driven thirty feet into the ground,

was cut off as though a toothpick had been snapped with a sharp knife.

The investigation has not yet been completed, but as far as it has progressed it is found that about 3,500 feet of trestle has been carried away entirely. The damage was done in spots. Between five thousand and six thousand feet of trestle will have to be repaired before it can be used again. It is estimated that the cost of repairs will be about \$10,000, and that it will require three months to complete the work. In addition to the damage to the trestle a number of Government beacons were blown down, and these will have to be replaced by new ones before any more Government surveys can be made. All the above are extraordinary losses, and will greatly delay the completion of the jetties.

A BLIZZARD IN WYOMING.

Snow Has Been Falling for Twenty-four Hours.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 31.—A blizzard of snow and wind has been raging throughout southern Wyoming from the western to the eastern boundary, for the past twenty-four hours.

There have been several losses of sheep in a portion of the district. The losses in cattle and horses have been nominal to the present time, but stockmen are becoming apprehensive as a continuation of the storm for five or six hours more will be destructive to range stock.

DANGER AT ST. PAUL.

Sudden Rise in the Mississippi Drives Hundreds From Their Homes.

St. Paul, Minn., March 31.—The Mississippi river is thirteen feet one inch above low-water mark, a rise of over two feet in the last twenty-four hours. This sudden rise has carried considerable numbers of the dwellers of the lower flats on the west side.

Already the water has backed up around the lower parts of the flats until it has almost reached the intersection of Fenton and Tennessee streets. Several hundred residents of the Bohemian flats have fled to the hills.

ADMIRAL MONTT A VISITOR

Chile's Former President Making a Brief Stay Here.

Has Been Inspecting Our Naval Establishment—Thinks Naval Academy the Finest in the World.

Admiral Jorge Montt, President of the republic of Chile until the last election in that country, last September, and at present commander of the navy of Chile, is in Washington today visiting the Chilean legation. He has been in this country for nearly a month and has visited New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Baltimore, Annapolis, Buffalo, and other places.

Admiral Montt is an American making a thorough study of our navy and everything pertaining to our maritime interests, for the Chilean government. He finds this country a very delightful one to live in and says that America is the place to come to for new ideas.

This afternoon Admiral Montt paid a visit to the Soldiers' Home, and tomorrow he will start for New York, to be on the Iowa during its trial trip from New York to Boston, under a special invitation from the Cramps. He will stay in Boston for a few days and then return to Chile.

Admiral Montt expresses a great admiration for our Naval Academy at Annapolis. He paid an extended visit to the academy, witnessed the drill of the cadets, and made an inspection of the whole institution. Admiral Montt has been in Europe many years and has visited all the naval academies of the European countries, but he expresses the opinion that our own institution of naval instruction is the finest in the world. He will take back with him to Chile many plans and suggestions for the betterment of the Chilean naval academy.

While in Philadelphia, the ex-President, at the special invitation of the Cramps, made a thorough inspection of their establishment.

All day yesterday the admiral was in Baltimore. He visited the electric power-house of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, inspected the dynamo and the electric motors, and went through the Mount Royal tunnel. He also took a trip down the harbor.

Admiral Montt is a small man, with keen eyes and full, black pointed beard. He wears a dark frock coat and silk hat.

CONCESSIONS IN VENEZUELA.

American Capital to Control Telegraph and Cable Lines.

New York, March 31.—A special cable dispatch to the Herald from Caracas, Venezuela, says:

Jacob Schow, an agent for Henry Clives and other bankers in New York, has secured from the government a contract by the terms of which the American financiers will control the telegraph lines of Venezuela for thirty years.

The concession, which is of great value, will enable the syndicate to construct cable, telegraph and telephone systems in all parts of the country.

THE MATFLOWS LOG.

Further Formalities Before It Is Turned Over to Mr. Bayard.

London, March 31.—The log of the Mayflower and other records of the Pilgrim Fathers, the custody of which was a few days ago awarded to the United States ambassador upon the petition of the President and citizens of the United States, have not yet been delivered.

Mr. J. C. Carter, United States charge d'affaires, will privately submit further formal evidence to the chancellor of the diocese of London today, after the presentation of which the delivery of the documents will doubtless be sanctioned.

It is possible, however, that they will not be returned over until Ambassador Bayard returns from his trip to Italy about the middle of April.

A Dinner to the ex-President.

Princeton, N. J., March 31.—An informal dinner was given last evening to ex-President Cleveland and Mrs. Cleveland at President Patton's cottage. A number of invited guests from New York, Philadelphia and Trenton were present to meet the ex-President and his wife, besides several of the university faculty.

Mantels, Any Size, \$1.00 Apiece. Libbey & Co., 6th st. and New York ave.

Ivy Institute Business College, 8th and K. None better. \$25 a year, day or night.

SCHOCK'S WONDERFUL RIDE

At Noon the Veteran Had 912 Miles to His Credit.

ALBERTS' PLUCKY RACE

Lawson Trying to Catch Up With the Two Leaders—Riviere Makes a Spurt Which Sets All the Competitors Going at a Lively Pace. The Latest Score.

Veteran Schock, the hero of the big bicycle race at Convention Hall, keeps right along with the very extraordinary work he began early yesterday morning, breaking world's records. Beginning with the thirty-fourth hour of the race Schock continued to break every mark made by Teddy Hale in New York, and at 9 o'clock this morning, after twenty-four hours of this record-making work, the old man was still four miles ahead of Hale.

There was a good attendance at the hall last night, and all of the riders were in excellent spirits. Young Ford and Lawson indulged in frequent spurts, and now and then Riviere, the Frenchman, joined in with them, and their work was heartily enjoyed and applauded by the audience.

At 9 o'clock this morning Schock, Alberts, Lawson, Golden and Riviere were the only riders on the track. The others were taking a rest.

Nothing of a startling nature took place since last evening. At 3 o'clock this morning Golden, Riviere, Alberts and Cassidy all went down in a heap, but nothing serious resulted from it. It was a sort of friendly tumble.

It was just 2:32 o'clock this morning when Schock finished his 80th mile, and

refreshed, but whether he sticks to the end without further rest remains to be seen.

The score at noon today was as follows:

	Miles.	Laps.
Schock	912	4
Alberts	815	2
Lawson	794	1
Golden	779	1
Cassidy	715	4
Riviere	588	8
Ford	408	6
Muller	108	7

At the end of the sixty-second hour of the race, which was up at 2 o'clock this afternoon, Schock had scored 943 miles and was ten miles ahead of Hale's record.

Unless the old man deceives, every appearance, and falls down entirely, he is almost sure to knock Hale's 1,910 miles for six days sky high.

At 2:05 Lawson left the track to take some refreshments.

LOOKING FOR LOST WEALTH

Miss Bodine Searching in the Old Graveyard at St. Asaph.

Treasure Buried There by the Former Husband of Mrs. Gibson, of This City.

Miss Lena Bodine, a bright Virginia miss, is the central figure in a romance which has for its denouement the recovery of an alleged hidden treasure which, bound within an iron chest, is said to have been hidden from the eyes of man beneath the sod of an old Dominion graveyard since the stirring days of the war.

Miss Bodine's aunt, Mrs. Sarah Gibson, who resides at No. 129 New York avenue, this city, is another important character in the tradition surrounding the alleged treasure, but she has little faith in the recovery of the supposed wealth, or, indeed, that any treasure exists.

It is said that during the war and other supernatural things have pointed the way to the recovery of the buried gold, but Mrs. Gibson scoffs at the idea and tells her story in a matter-of-fact way. During the closing days of the war Mrs. Gibson, then the wife of a Mr. Young, a sutler in the Confederate army, lived with her husband in the house now occupied by Gen. Spear, near St. Asaph Junction, Va., just across the river from Washington.

Mr. Young was thrifty, and had accumulated a considerable amount of money. He had little faith in banks, however, and in the unsettled condition of the country at that time was troubled to know what to do with his wealth. Soldiers were constantly searching the house, and at last Young determined to bury his money in the private cemetery belonging to the Spear estate. This he did, but failed to inform his wife of the exact spot.

A few days later Young was found murdered, and Mrs. Gibson, believing by rumormongers in search of the treasure.

The widow made frequent attempts to uncover the hidden box, but without success. She moved to Washington, married again and has now lost all faith in the existence of the treasure. "It was here twenty-five years ago," she said in Times reporter this morning; "but you know that it is a long while, and I have no doubt that it was not found and removed by parties unknown to me long ago, it never will be found."

Mrs. Gibson's niece, however, has more faith in the existence of the treasure and is determined to find it if such a thing is possible. She had heard from childhood the family story of hidden wealth and yesterday in company with a young woman friend set out for Alexandria for the old cemetery at St. Asaph. Their appearance created quite an interest among the residents of that locality. The fair prospectors were armed with a sharp pointed iron rod, which was thrust into the earth at different points in the grave yard in an endeavor to locate the iron chest said to contain the hidden wealth.

So far the search has been unsuccessful, but Miss Bodine has no intention of abandoning her efforts so soon, being determined to unearth the fortune, which she believes is buried in the old graveyard.

Concessions Granted.

Conestoga, Pa., March 31.—An trade has been issued granting, with some modifications, the concessions asked for by Mr. Ormanian, the Armenian patriarch.

Deaths of a Day.

John F. Purdy, one of the founders of the American Jockey Club at New York.

Ex-United States Senator Angus Cameron, of Wisconsin, at Milwaukee.

Provincial Governor Resigns.

Ottawa, Ont., March 31.—Lieut. Gov. Macpherson has resigned his position as lieutenant governor of northwest territories.

Bottling Works Burned.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 31.—The bottling works and barns of the Iroquois Brewing Company on Pratt street were burned at noon yesterday. The loss is estimated at \$50,000, fully covered by insurance.

Blinds, \$1 Small Sizes, 75c a Pair.

Libbey & Co., 6th st. and New York ave.

12-inch Stock Boards, \$1 per 100 Ft. Libbey & Co., 6th st. and New York ave.

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RUSSIA BLAMES ENGLAND

Evidence of Discord Among the Powers Regarding Crete.

LION AND BEAR FALL OUT

Great Britain Charged With Secretly Fomenting Trouble, Out of Which She Would Make Territorial Gains—The Blockade of Crete Is Said to Be Ineffective.

New York, March 31.—The Herald's St. Petersburg correspondent cables: The irritation which I have already noted as regards the impediment put forward against the prompt settlement of affairs in the East, which prevents any serious or constructive policy among the powers, and which causes Greek enthusiasm by waking up fallacious hopes, finds vent here in a report of new discord among England.

In the St. Petersburg Herald, a well-known political writer, named Goldstein, leads his article with the heading: "Caught Red Handed," and says: "That England wants the Greeks to sow discord in Europe, out of which she would traditionally make practical capital."

The whole responsibility for Crete rests on the ineffectiveness of the powers. Had they acted firmly and rapidly last autumn, the present condition of affairs would not exist, and the powers would not find themselves in the position of the Turks against the Christians. With the same weakness they are muddling Turkish matters."

A telegram received from Vienna says that if England refuses to join in the blockade of the Cretan ports by the warships of the other powers will pursue the blockade on their own.

Curiously enough, all this comes short of the absolutely authentic telegram from the French foreign office, saying that Lord Salisbury and M. Hanotaux's interview has been most satisfactory, showing that a perfect entente prevails between the two governments.

BLOCKADE NOT ENFORCED.

Provisions Landed by the Greeks Nearly Every Day.

London, March 31.—The cables correspondents of the Standard telegraph that the blockade of Crete by the powers is not enforced as severely as it would be in the case of actual war. Provisions are landed daily. Hitherto only half a dozen small craft, which had already landed their cargoes, have been captured.

The dispatch adds that there was heavy firing at Suda last night, and it is supposed that the insurgents attempted to surprise the fort. The attack was probably repelled with the assistance of the shells and the use of the searchlights of the warships in the harbor.

THREATENED WITH FAMINE.

Appeal of Cretan Refugees That the Blockade Be Raised.

Athens, March 31.—The Cretan refugees who have arrived here have made an appeal to the heads of the European states praying in the name of humanity that the blockade of the Cretan ports by the warships of the powers be raised in order that supplies of food may be admitted to the island, thus averting the famine, which threatens thousands of helpless men, women, and children in Crete.

The Red Cross Society has made an instantaneous appeal for aid for the inhabitants of the island. The armed insurgents are able to obtain provisions by going to the coast for supplies, but the people living inland are destitute.

BLOCKADE OF GREECE.

Report That It Will Begin Immediately Confirmed in Paris.

Paris, March 31.—The report that the powers have decided upon a partial blockade of Greece to begin almost immediately is confirmed here.

This information is given out on authority which may be regarded as official.

BRYAN MAN WILL WIN.

Harrison's Election Next Week as Mayor of Chicago Conceded.

Chicago, March 31.—With election one week away, the leaders of all parties admit that Carter Harrison is certain of being elected mayor. The withdrawal of Hering or Harlan is the only thing that can save the Republican ticket, and both candidates say they will stick to the finish.

Impending defeat has urged the Republicans to attempt to save the officeholders appointed by Mayor Swift before the civil service law became operative. These appointments number about 1,000.

In the legislature Representative Morrison, of this city, introduced a bill to amend the civil service law. It prohibits the discharge of any person appointed before the civil service law became operative, except for causes specified in the act.

The attachment of an emergency clause is necessary to carry out the purpose of the bill. Without it the law will not take effect until July 1, and the Democrats will prevent its getting the necessary two-thirds vote.

EDUCATION OF GRANTS' TOMB.

Imposing Display of Naval Vessels and Regular Troops.

The Navy Department has authorized Admiral Bance to take whatever action he deems necessary to have a proper naval display take part in the dedication of Grant's tomb at New York, April 27. The admiral has already ordered the battleships Indiana, Massachusetts, Maine, and Texas, and the cruisers Columbia and New York to report to him at New York, and he will order at least four more vessels there.

Those engaged in patrolling the Southern coast to prevent filibustering will not be taken from their posts.

Gen. Miles, in accordance with instructions from the War Department, has ordered between 4,000 and 5,000 regular troops to New York to parade, and he general will be there also. He will not perform any functions, but will ride in the procession in a carriage as a guest.

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